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SUBJECT: SCC MEETING OCTOBER 15 (SCC II-012)

1. USTINOV OPENED WITH PREPARED STATEMENT ON USE OF ICBM FACILITIES SUMMARIZING SOVIET VIEWS WHICH ESSENTIALLY HELD TO SOVIET LINE THAT DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION OF ICBM LAUNCHERS SHALL ENSURE THAT THE LAUNCHERS AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES WOULD BE PUT IN A CONDITION THAT PRECLUDES THE POSSIBILITY OF THEIR USE FOR LAUNCHING ICBMS. HE STATED THIS INTERPRETATION WOULD PROMOTE STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH INTERIM AGREEMENT AND THAT US OCT. 4TH DRAFT LANGUAGE NOT CONSISTENT WITH THE FRAMEWORK OF THE INTERIM AGREEMENT AND DOES NOT HELP OVERCOME DIFFERENCES. GRAYBEAL RESPONDED THAT, WHILE THERE WAS AGREEMENT ON ENSURING THAT LAUNCHERS AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES WOULD BE PUT IN A CONDITION THAT PRECLUDES THE POSSIBILITY OF THEIR USE FOR LAUNCHING ICBMS, THIS DID NOT GO FAR ENOUGH. THE US DRAFT LANGUAGE OF OCT. 4. WAS CONSISTENT WITH THE INTENT OF THE INTERIM AGREEMENT, THE US RATIONALE FOR THIS LANGUAGE AND SPECIFIC EXAMPLES HAS BEEN SET FORTH ON OCT. 1, 4 AND 11. THIS WAS A SERIOUS PROPOSAL MADE UNDER INSTRUCTIONS.

2. GRAYBEAL GAVE PREPARED STATEMENT REGARDING SCOPE

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OF SCC AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITIES DESIGNED TO

REBUT SOVIET CONTENTION THAT PROCEDURES MUST STICK TO STRICT LETTER OF INTERIM AGREEMENT AND ITS PROTOCOL. USTINOV, AFTER SAYING US STATEMENT WOULD BE GIVEN CAREFUL STUDY, STATED THAT US SIDE WAS RAISING BROAD GENERAL QUESTIONS WHICH WOULD TAKE WEEKS TO DISCUSS AND RESOLVE WHEN WE SHOULD BE FOCUSING ON SPECIFIC PROCEDURES. GRAYBEAL STATED THAT THERE WAS A DIRECT RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THIS STATEMENT AND THE POSITION SET FORTH BY THE US SIDE ON NOTIFICATION AND ON USE OF FACILITIES REMAINING AT ICBM LAUNCH SITES.

3. GRAYBEAL TABLED FOLLOWING SENTENCE TO BE ADDED TO PARA. I.2 OF THE SPECIFIC PROCEDURES FOR STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS: "IN ADDITION, ALL SUBMARINE-LAUNCHED BALLISTIC MISSILES FIRST TESTED AFTER 1964 ARE MODERN SUBMARINE-LAUNCHED BALLISTIC MISSILES," AND PROVIDED SUPPORTING RATIONALE THEREFOR.

4. IN PRIVATE CONVERSATION, WHEN GRAYBEAL INDICATED THAT HE WOULD BE DISCUSSING CERTAIN BRACKETED TEXT AT THE NEXT MEETING, FOR EXAMPLE, THE US SENTENCE IN PARA. 7 OF THE SPECIFIC PROCEDURES LIMITING THE NUMBER OF SSBNS WHICH HAVE BEEN LAUNCHED BUT HAVE NOT YET BEGUN SEA TRIALS, USTINOV, READING FROM TYPED NOTES STATED SOVIET SIDE WAS IN AGREEMENT WITH US VIEW THAT "A NORMAL CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE" MEANS "A SCHEDULE CONSISTENT WITH PAST AND PRESENT CONSTRUCTION PRACTICES ON EACH SIDE" AS SET FORTH BY GRAYBEAL IN HIS STATEMENT OF SEPTEMBER 27, 1973. THEREFORE, THERE WAS NO NEED FOR INCLUSION OF A SPECIFIC NUMBER SINCE BOTH SIDES KNEW WHAT CONSTITUTED PAST AND PRESENT CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULES.

5. ALSO IN PRIVATE CONVERSATION, USTINOV FURTHER CHALLENGED US DRAFT LANGUAGE OF OCT. 4 RE USE OF FACILITIES REMAINING AT ICBM LAUNCH SITES. AGAIN READING FROM TYPED NOTES, HE STATED THIS LANGUAGE RAISED ARTIFICIAL PROBLEMS AND INTRODUCED NEGATIVE ELEMENTS WHICH WERE NOT NECESSARY. HE SPECIFICALLY REFERRED TO PARA. II.1 OF THE JDT ON STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS

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WHICH REQUIRE REMOVAL FROM THE LAUNCH SITE OF MISSILES AND THEIR COMPONENTS, ETC. AS FURTHER SUPPORT OF HIS ARGUMENT THAT NEW US LANGUAGE WAS UNNECESSARY. GRAYBEAL REBUTTED USTINOV'S POINTS BY GIVING EXAMPLE OF SOFT ICBM LAUNCH SITE WHOSE LAUNCHER HAD BEEN DISMANTLED OR DESTROYED BUT AT A FUTURE DATE THE SITE WAS USED TO SUPPORT OR STORE BALLISTIC MISSILES WHICH WOULD RAISE SERIOUS

CONCERNS AND BE INCONSISTENT WITH THE INTENT
OF THE INTERIM AGREEMENT AND ITS PROTOCOL.

6. NEXT MEETING OCTOBER 18.GRAYBEAL

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